



**A MOTHER'S**  
*Love*

There's no love like a mother's,  
Her heart is filled with care.  
With Christ as her example,  
Her Savior's love she'll share.

A mother's love is endless,  
Not changing for all time.  
When needed by her children,  
A mother's love will shine.

God bless these special mothers,  
God bless them every one.  
For all their tears and heartaches,  
And special work they've done.

When days on earth are over,  
A mother's love lives on,  
Through many generations,  
God's blessings on each one.

Be thankful for our mothers,  
Who love with higher love,  
From power God has given,  
And strength from up above.

# 12 Hours of Prayer for Palliative Care 2020

## May 2020

“God has a weakness for the prayers of his people. Indeed, prayer is man’s greatest power. Therefore, we must never tire of knocking at the door of God’s heart and asking for help. For God is a relentless warrior when he is called upon to defend his people” (Pope Francis). 12 Hours of Prayer for Palliative Care May 4-10, 2020 was chosen to run simultaneously with National Hospice Palliative Care Week of the Canadian Hospice Palliative Care Association. It is suggested that parish councils participate by organizing an at-home prayer service. Together, with members across the country, members can do what they do best—pray for palliative care and for those Canadians who have chosen home palliative care during the COVID-19 pandemic.

This information package contains a message of support from National President Anne-Marie Gorman, along with a sample “at-home” one hour prayer service, prayers, resources and links that may be helpful in planning a day of prayer. A new resource this year is a palliative care postcard that may be used when activities resume.

[Palliative Care Kit](#) (pdf)

[Palliative Care Postcard](#)

[\*Physician’s Way of the Cross\*](#)

[\*The Way of the Cross Today: Reflections on Suffering in Sickness and Dying\*](#)

[\*Ending Suffering: The Palliative Alternative\*](#)

Additional resources available for use may be accessed by clicking on the links below:

**World Health Organisation (WHO) Definition of Palliative Care**

[www.who.int/cancer/palliative/definition/en/](http://www.who.int/cancer/palliative/definition/en/)

**Canadian Hospice Palliative Care Association (CHPCA)**

[www.chpca.net](http://www.chpca.net)

**Catholic Organization for Life and Family (COLF)**

[www.colf.ca](http://www.colf.ca)

[www.colf.ca/images/pubs-downloads/LIF-007-E.pdf](http://www.colf.ca/images/pubs-downloads/LIF-007-E.pdf)

**Canadian Virtual Hospice (CVH)**

[www.virtualhospice.ca](http://www.virtualhospice.ca)

**Video** [Shushwap Hospice Society](#)